

Application No.: 10/725,930
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Remarks/Arguments:

The Title was found to be non-descriptive. The Title has been amended.

Claims 1 and 8-13 have been provisionally rejected based on non-statutory obviousness-type double patenting in view of co-pending Application No. 11/090,544. Furthermore, claims 1 and 8-13 have been provisionally rejected based on non-statutory obviousness-type double patenting in view of co-pending Application No. 10/725,940. Finally, claims 1 and 6-13 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by Hancock (W0 03/41319). Also, claims 1 and 6-13 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by Nonaka et al (US 6,614,732). Claims 2-5, however, were indicated as being allowable if rewritten in independent form.

Accordingly, claim 1 has been amended to include the features of claim 2. The remaining independent claims have been similarly amended. Accordingly, the double-patenting rejection and the prior art rejections have been overcome.

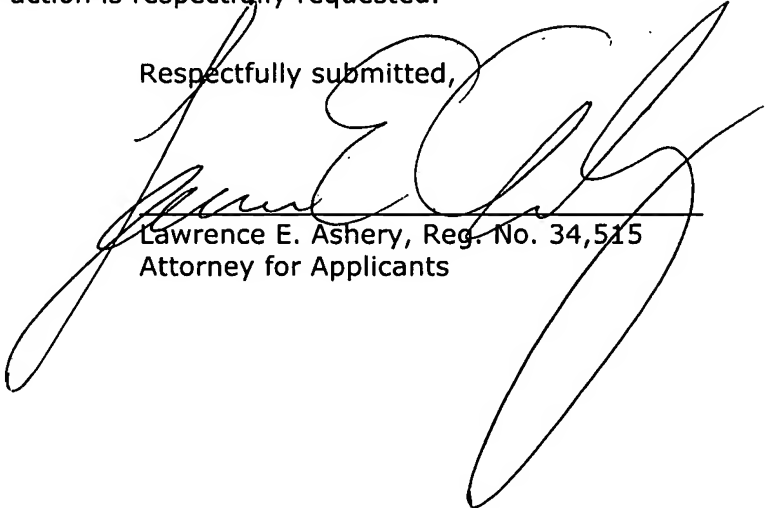
Claims 14-19 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §101. Claims 14-16 have been cancelled. Claims 17-19 have been amended to overcome the rejection.

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In view of the amendments set forth above, the above-identified application is in condition for allowance, which action is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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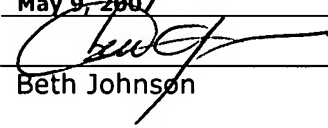
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